

64. (Amended) The system of claim 63 wherein the [preestablishing is individualized for each of plurality of viewers] video includes within at least one parallel segment providing for a scene of the video at a different level of explicitness, and wherein the seamless version of the video includes the scene at a level of explicitness that is responsive to the preestablished content preferences.

70. (Amended) A video playing method comprising the steps of:
preestablishing content preferences [responsive to] for a level of explicitness in each of a [set] plurality of content categories, the preestablishing being responsive to password control and permitting the application of the content preferences in a playing of a [variety] plurality of videos, the content preferences being responsive to an individualized permission established specifically
for each of said plurality of content categories;

selecting segments of a video, the selecting resulting from the application of the preestablished content preferences to segment information directly defining at least one segment of the video, the defining being responsive to a level of explicitness in at least one of [the] said plurality of content categories; and

playing, by means of a random access and buffering, from within the video, without requiring an alternate source of video, and by editing-out at least one segment of the video, the selected segments as an edited [continuous version of the video] seamless version of the video less in length than the length of the video.

77. (Amended) A video playing method comprising the steps of:
preestablishing content preferences [responsive to] for a level of explicitness in each of a [set] plurality of content categories, the preestablishing being responsive to password control and permitting the application of the content preferences in a playing of a [variety] plurality of videos, the content preferences being responsive to an individualized permission established specifically
for each of said plurality of content categories;

selecting segments of a video, the selecting resulting from the application of the preestablished content preferences to segment information directly defining at least one segment of the video, the defining being responsive to a level of explicitness in at least one of [the] said

plurality of content categories, the video including within at least one parallel segment providing for a scene of the video at a different level of explicitness; and

C3 playing by means of a random access and buffering, from within the video, without requiring an alternate source of video, and by editing-out at least one segment of the video, the selected segments as an edited [continuous version of the video] seamless version of the video less in length than the length of the video and including the scene at a level of explicitness that is responsive to the preestablished content preferences. --

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